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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
PREVENTING NETWORK ATTACKS BY
AUTHENTICATING INTERNET CONTROL
MESSAGE PROTOCOL PACKETS

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AMENDMENT UNDER CFR 1.312

Sir:

Applicants hereby respectfully petition for consideration and entry of the following amendments. Applicants have submitted herewith the fees required under MPEP 714.16(c) for entry of the amendments.

Please add computer-readable medium claims 37-42, which depend from previously allowed computer-readable medium claim 18 and correspond in scope previously allowed method claims 2-7, respectively, as presented in the Amendments to the Claims, which begin on page 2.